



of it is \$15.20 and it is predicted that it will come up for many changes in the Legislative session that will meet next Wednesday.

The West Penn Company has announced that they expect to move to their plant here the large 175 H. P. oil burning engine that was in use at Marlinton until recently when the high tension lines were carried into that territory. It will be used as an auxiliary to the one now in use here and will be a further guarantee against loss of current on account of engine trouble.

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Our school teacher, Mr. Charles Nelson, was arrested here a few days ago and was taken before Justice Don Byrd, Franklin, on warrant charging him with assault, cruelty and unjust treatment, on the ten year old son of Emmett Thompson, and was found guilty and fined \$10 and costs. We understand Nelson gave an Appeal Bond for Circuit Court. Dr. Lambert was the child's physician until able for school again.

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The Smoke Hole community folks held a telephone meeting at J. F. and B. H. Alt's store last Saturday.

There will be a box supper at Hermit Island at Mr. H. M. Calhoun's cottage, Saturday night, January 10. All are invited to come.

James E. Shreve is recovering from an illness of several days duration.

Mrs. Henry Judy is recovering from a very bad attack of neuralgia.

united in marriage by Rev. C. F. Fink, at the parsonage, on Christmas Day.

Hunters killed 264 deer in West Virginia during the season between December 1 and 10. Nine were killed in this county, 11 in Hampshire and 4 in Grant.

WHITE HOUSE BREAD LINE

President Hoover gave a New Years reception at the White House in accordance with the time honored custom and a long line formed in front of the historic building to shake the hands of the President. The joke was that a man came along with a bread basket on his arm and thinking that it was another bread line, joined in and when he got to the door the police took the basket away from him and seeing the bewildered look on his face, asked him about it and he explained that he thought it was another bread line.—Randolph Enterprise.

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in deference, and Lee, recognizing a
magnanimity of spirit equal to his
own, gravely saluted the conquering
flag. "What regiment is this?" he
inquired, and upon the corporal's re-
plying, "The Third West Virginia
Regiment, Sir," he exclaimed "Thank
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The corporal to whom he spoke
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When Amos Carr was six years of age, his family moved to a farm near Bridgeport. He enlisted in the Union army at the outbreak of the war between the states, serving in Company E, Third West Virginia Cavalry. Commanders under whom he served included George A. Custer, Philip Sheridan, and Everett Averil. At the time of his death he was one of the very few survivors of the witnesses of Lee's surrender, one who heard Grant dictating the terms of surrender.—Buckhannon Delta.

THE LEGISLATURE

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porations, it is evident, will control the senate, but it is just possible that those Senators who have heretofore stood by the big interests will take knowledge that their actions will be closely scrutinized by the folks back home and will be less amenable to corporate influence.—Shepherdstown Register.

It's the smart thing nowadays for a fellow to take two girls to a party. When one passes out, he always has the other to fall back on.

A VALUABLE FIDDLE

A citizen of Wayne County is the owner of a violin made by Antonio Stradivari at Cremona, Italy, in 1716, which has been handed down in his family for five generations. Violins made by this master are rare and of great value. The present owner has been offered \$40,000 for it.—W. Va. Review.

First Civil War Battle In Pendleton County Fought Near Riverton

In 1862 the Union forces under Col. Lathrum, a West Virginian, first invaded Pendleton County. The force consisted of about 900 men taken from the Federal forces stationed at Beverly and Cheat Mountain. They came into the county by way of what is now Harman and went into camp near Mouth of Seneca. The next day, which was Sunday, a portion of this force under the command of Lieut. Weaver, of the 8th Ohio Regiment, came up the North Fork, in the direction of what is now Riverton.

There was a small force of Confederate Cavalry in the neighborhood and a small company of militia under command of Captain Joseph H. Lantz. The cavalry and a few persons known as "Dixie Boys" planned an ill advised attack on this force in the gap east of Riverton. The "Dixie Boys" were to fire on the Federals from the mountainside and the cavalry was to charge them in front. The boys faithfully carried out their part of the plan, and for the first time in their history, those North Fork hills echoed and re-echoed the sound of hostile guns. For the first time in their lives, the people were face to face with the horrible results of war. The cavalry instead of going to the assistance of the boys, fled in all haste

in the direction of Franklin, Capt. Lantz and his company being not engaged.

This enabled the Federals to concentrate their fire on the few "Dixie Boys," with the result that they were quickly dispersed and two of their number, Perry Bland and Thomas Powers, were killed. Capt. Lantz with several members of his company and others, to the number of about 30 in all, were taken prisoners and conveyed first to Beverly and then to Wheeling, where Capt. Lantz and two or three others took the oath of allegiance and were permitted to return to their homes. The others were taken to Camp Chase, Ohio, and some of them later to Johnson's Island, in Lake Erie. Among the latter was my good friend George W. Hammer, then a mere boy not old enough for military service, who happened to be in the neighborhood at the time, and to whom I am much indebted for the information on which this article is based.

It is hoped that someone from the neighborhood in which this event took place, or some participant in the same, who is in possession of all the facts and details, will supply them through the Pendleton Times.

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The first local evidence we have seen of the return to normalcy in business conditions is the starting of a new business building on the lot opposite the Times office on the L. R. Byrd lot. Work has begun on the foundation of an 18x50 building which we are informed is to be used as a barber shop and apartment house.

The town jail at Grottoes, Va., is being converted into a store room to be occupied by a merchant whose building was destroyed by fire.

year, will occupy a high place among the leading salesmen of Chevrolet's Baltimore zone.

The West Penn is making fine progress setting poles and stretching wire for their high power line from Webster Springs to Marlinton. On Tuesday they were a few miles this side of Slaty Fork, coming toward Marlinton with both poles and wire. Poles have been distributed all along the line. It was expected that the line would reach Marlinton by April first, but it looks now that they will be here several weeks before that.

—Pocahontas Times.

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HARD TIMES AND HIGH TAXES

A great many people at this time are complaining of hard times but don't seem to know what has caused the trouble. Some may think it is caused by the policies of the present administration. There was an old saying that wilful waste would bring woeful want. The people of today seem to have a mania for pastime and pleasure. Thrift and economy will soon be a lost art.

Back in the early nineties, when the writer was a young man, we worked on a farm for ten and twelve dollars per-month, sold lambs for 3½ cents per pound, cattle and other products in proportion and yet in spite of those dull times we bought our homes and farms and met the payments. But we did not do it joy riding and going to every ball play and dog fight in the country. I have known farm hands in those times to work a whole year without losing a day. This is an extravagant age.

Let us take warning from the story of the prodigal son. We are told after he had wasted his substance in riotous living that a great famine arose. That sure applies to many people today. If people had used economy and lived according to their circumstances times might not be so

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Henry Ford says prosperity is not the fruits of charity but of industry and economy. Much of the relief for the down and outs must be met by the hard pressed taxpayers who have economized and saved something for a rainy day and with all the talk and promise of relief there seems to be little in sight for the relief of the real taxpayer. Our taxes were higher last year than usual and will sure get higher if we don't get some kind of relief.

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It is to be hoped that our present legislature will work out something that will relieve this situation.

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SABBATH BREAKING CAUSE OF HARD TIMES AND DROUGHT

New York, March 6.—America has been visited by the crime wave, drought and financial depression because its people do not observe Sunday as the day of rest, is the belief of Noah W. Cooper, Nashville, Tennessee, attorney and chairman of the Tennessee Methodist Sabbath Crusade Committee.

He expressed this belief last Friday when he spoke from the steps of the Sub-Treasury building. He said: "America's plagues are coming from her Sabbath breaking and kindred vices."

HYER MUST DIE FOR SLAYING HIS WIFE AT DURBIN

Man Sentenced In Pocahontas Court To Die June 19—Denied He Did Slaying

Marlinton, Mar. 14.—Frank Hyer, 50, convicted of slaying his wife, Mrs. Mary Hyer, was sentenced by Judge Summers H. Sharp, in Pocahontas County Circuit Court last Saturday night to be hanged on June 19.

Mrs. Hyre was killed on December 19. Witnesses who testified at Hyer's trial said she was beaten to death. Mrs. M. J. O'Connor, mother of the slain woman, said Hyer beat her to death after they had quarreled about family matters. Hyre denied the slaying and said he knew nothing about it until some time afterwards.

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When Judge Kump was here early this month Dr. Johnson removed the piece of thorn from his thumb, and the infection developed several days later when he was attending a meeting in Martinsburg. Latest reports from him are that his temperature is about back to normal and that he is rapidly recovering from the injury but will not be able to leave the hospital for a week or more.

In selecting a jurist to take his place at our court, Judge Kump could not have made a more satisfactory selection for our attorneys and citizens generally than his distinguished brother of Elkins, whose great ability as a judge and lawyer is recognized throughout this section of the State.

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LOST BATTALION SURVIVOR ABSOLVED IN BOOZE CASE

Judge McClintic Dismisses Moonshine Charges Against Bragg

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BASEBALL AT CIRCLEVILLE

The Circleville High School

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PERSON, not a citizen of the States of America, shall attempt to hunt, pursue, kill or catch wild animals or wild birds or fowl in this State, or have in his possession firearms of any kind, or attempt to capture, catch or kill any frog or turtles in this State—Section 20, section 3, page 591 of the Official Code of West Virginia.

FRANKLIN HOTEL CHANGES HANDS

Franklin Bank, formerly known as the Byrd Hotel, has been sold to Raymond Boggs who will take possession the first of next week. The deal, which had been under negotiation for several weeks, was consummated Monday when a meeting of the directors was held. The hotel has been operated for the last eighteen months by the bank which purchased it from the trustee of D. M. Byrd bankruptcy proceedings. The purchaser is planning a number of improvements to the property which will appeal to the tourist trade and summer guests. The purchase price of the property is \$6,000.00.

BLOSSOM FESTIVAL AT WINCHESTER MAY 5-6

May 5 and 6, Tuesday and Wednesday, were selected for the annual Winchester (Va.) Apple Blossom Festival by action of the committee. On Monday morning, it was announced Monday. The committee in charge, after an examination of the present condition of the weather and their indicated rate of expansion, determined the May 5-6 as the two most likely to hit the peak of the apple blossoms; and District General Nelson Richards accordingly officially announced the

PRAYER AT M. E. CHURCH SOUTH

The young ladies of the Franklin Church South will serve a supper in the church basement on Friday, May 1, from 5:30 to 8:00 p. m. The menu will be as follows:

World War and saw many months of service overseas. In one of the engagements in which he took part at the front, he was severely wounded. The body was taken to his former home on Wednesday afternoon. Interment will be made in a cemetery nearby. He is survived by his wife and three small children, a son and two daughters.

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express our grateful appreciation and thanks to the many friends and neighbors who so kindly lent their aid and assistance during the illness and death of Mrs. P. W. Trumbo, and we also thank the friends who contributed the beautiful flowers.
The Family.

A man speeded up to see if he could beat the train to the crossing. He couldn't.
A man touched an electric wire to see if it was charged. It was.
A man cut out his advertising to see if he could save money. He didn't.—Wisconsin Press.

Champion Of South Branch Valley Cage Circles



FRANKLIN (W. VA.) HIGH SCHOOL SQUAD

Left to right, standing—Bernice Ruddle, Grace Boggs, Edith Cooper. Sitting—Evelyn Dolly, Ruth Warner (captain) and Mary Pennybaker. The team, champion of the South Branch Valley, won 14 and lost no games during the past basket-ball season. It also defeated St. John's Academy, Petersburg, and West Virginia Business College, Fairmont. The team was ably coached by Miss Effie H. Anderson, of F. H. S. faculty, and by Mrs. Raymond Boggs of...

clock 180 years old which is in good condition. The sale will be held at his home near town on the Petersburg road.

It is predicted that the price of wheat will drop to 30 cents a bushel when this year's crop moves to market. This prediction is made by grain experts closely connected with the agricultural department of the federal government. On Chicago's grain market now, wheat is selling for 62 cents a bushel for July and August delivery.

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FUGITIVE RECAPTURED

Elkins, May 16.—Dick Vandevan-
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Pendleton county jail at Franklin
about two and one-half years ago,
was recaptured on Middle Mountain
in Randolph county by Constable
Robert Cunningham, of Job.

Cunningham fired five or six pistol
shots at Vandevander, who attempt-
ed to escape when he saw the con-
stable coming. One of the shots
lodged in Vandevander's left leg
above the knee. He was taken to
City Hospital at Elkins by Cunning-
ham for medical attention.

At the time of his escape from the
Franklin jail Vandevander was serv-
ing a sentence of three months for a
sale of moonshine liquor which also
carried a fine of \$100. Two other
similar indictments were pending
against him.

Recently he has been accused of a
number of acts of larceny, breaking
and entering and similar offenses in
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Ressie Tingler, who escaped from
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Near the middle of the 18th century, that is to say somewhere about the years 1748 to 1750, a party of settlers lured on to the new west via Pittsburgh passed down the Ohio river by boat to find homes on that river.

Whether to form settlements on what is now West Virginia or in Kentucky is not known.

Among these were several families whose descendants are numerous and of prominent families in both Randolph and Pendleton counties today.

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Perhaps the body left behind was what stayed pursuit and slaying of the now destitute fugitives.

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Ten miles north of Seneca are the
Famous Champ Rocks, upon which
the writer had his photo taken by
William Boggs, of that neighborhood.
Seven hundred fifty feet high, stand-
ing like two boards stuck on edge.

I don't think it possible for any
human being to go out farther on
that rock than Mr. Boggs and I did.

This little valley is very productive
and is surrounded by the most rug-
ged scenery in all West Virginia.

Eighteen miles north of Seneca is
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"The Spinster's Convention," a laugh-provoking play, will be given at the Court House on Saturday night, June 27, by the Franklin Farm Women's Club. The proceeds of the play will be used for Thorn Spring Cottage and 4-H work.

Rev. Herman Womeldorf, graduate of Washington and Lee University and Union Theological Seminary, has accepted the pastorate of the North Fork field of Presbyterian churches in this county. He expects to assume his duties about July 1

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On Friday, at Cave, a bolt of
lightning came from the clear sky
when the sun was shining and struck
the dwelling house of Peter Moyers
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A large boat with 500 excursionists
sank Sunday afternoon off the coast
of France and all were lost except
eight men who were picked up by
boats going to the rescue. A heavy
storm at sea caused the vessel to cap-
size.

Steel Callison was over in Pendle-
ton county last week. He brought
word back that army worms had
made their appearance by the mil-
lions in the valley of the South
Branch, and were eating up every
green thing as they traveled along.
Their route is from east to west.
They look not unlike cut worms.
They cannot climb, and they are de-
stroyed by the bushel by digging a
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man's meeting held at the Methodist church last Sunday afternoon which was attended by a large congregation from the town and country churches. The Caricofe sisters attended and sang several selections which were much enjoyed.

Hugh Moyers successfully protected his farm crops from unknown millions of army worms by plowing a deep trench across the river bottom fields with the straight edge of the furrow next to his fields. Upon reaching this trench the marauders perished by the bushels, not being able to negotiate the straight edged ditch.

Dr. Guy R. Fisher has consented to hold a clinic here under the auspices of the Red Cross on July 23 and will be prepared to operate for the removal of tentacles and...

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The home of Kenny Raines near the Dunkard church, on North Fork, was badly wrecked by an explosion of dynamite on last Thursday night about 11 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Raines and their six small children, the youngest about one year of age, had retired for the night when an explosion of dynamite threw members of the family from their beds in a shocked and dazed condition, tore the front porch from the house and did considerable damage to the main building, a bungalow of three rooms.

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This is the second time in a few months that the Staunton bloodhounds have accused Ezra Warner of the commission of a felony. On the former occasion when a stack of hay was burned on the farm of Harper Brothers on upper North Fork, the bloodhounds took a course leading to the home of Neil Vandevander in Highland county where they are said to have picked him out of a number of persons at the home and barked their accusations in his face.

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GYPSY HORSE TRADER FATALLY INJURED

H. Harrison, about 55 years of age, a gypsy horse trader, said to be from Atlanta Ga., was fatally injured last Saturday night about 9 o'clock when his Buick sedan left the state road at a curve this side of the L. R. Byrd Lumber camp on the North Fork Mountain, 7 miles from Franklin, and rolled down the precipitous mountain side for more than fifty feet, landing upside-down against a tree, with Harris internally injured, his wife unconscious from fracture of the skull, two small children badly cut and bruised, and two older boys not seriously injured.

A cloud of dust from a passing car was assigned as the cause of the accident.

From News-Record, Harrisonburg

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 Wesley Leach, of Harrisonburg, at the week-end with Mr. and Roy Bowers.
 Roy Bowers has been ill for a few days.
 Virgil Hoover, of Brandywine, at several days last week with and Mrs. Roy Bowers.
 Mrs. Harrison Puffenbarger spent a few days last week with her daughter, Mrs. Henry Hahn, of Brandywine.
 Miss Mildred Wilson Hoover, of Archville, Va., spent several days last week with her cousin, Miss Malene Hoover.

BRANDYWINE

Miss Sunshine Byrd Trumbo, of Norfolk, is spending a few weeks with her grandmother, Mrs. Mary C. Trumbo.
 Mrs. Ethel Hahn has returned home from Rockingham Memorial hospital in Harrisonburg.
 Mrs. Roy Pope and children are visiting her mother, Mrs. Swauger, Rainelle.
 Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Coffman, of Washington, spent the week-end with Coffman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tillman Propst.
 Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Simpson and children, of Clarksburg, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Simpson.
 Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bodkin, sons John and Joe, Jr., Mrs. J. M. Smith, son, E. K. Smith, were guests Saturday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Keister.
 Charles C. Hoover, of Washington, spent the week-end here with his family.
 John W. Trumbo, of Charleston, is visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Mary Trumbo.
 Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Simpson and daughter, Mary Helen, of Clarksburg, are spending a couple of weeks with relatives.
 D. Keister, of Huntington, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Keister.
 Miss Myrtle Eye, of Alaska, is visiting this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Propst.
 Mr. and Mrs. Henkel, of Clarksburg, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Simpson.
 Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Payne of Clarksburg spent Sunday here with their family.

Mr. Edgar Smith is selling insurance for the Sun Life Assurance Company.
 Miss Edna Stone, who is staying with Mrs. J. F. Stover of Doe Hill, was at home Sunday evening.
 D. J. Simmons made a visit to his family at Bridgewater over Sunday. Miss Iva Simmons, who spent several weeks out here, returned home with him.
 Church services were well attended over Sunday in this community.

DRY FORKERS ARRESTED

After terrorizing the entire Dry Fork section with threats to attack and kill numerous people, Walter and Emmett Carr were captured by officers late Saturday night. Walter had been released from the county jail about a year ago after serving a sentence for robbery, and ordered to leave the State. He returned last week from Georgia.
 The first attack he made was on Eberrry Arbogast, a farmer of near Red Run. Walter started at Arbogast with a knife and swore to kill him. Arbogast picked up a couple of rocks and retreated. Carr drove away but returned and attacked Arbogast from ambush with rocks. Arbogast finally escaped and went to his home. Both Carr men later attacked a sixteen-year-old boy named Conrad, threw him against a wire fence and beat him up about the head and body. They warned the boy that if he had them arrested they would kill him. Neighbors phoned over the government forestry line for officers from this section, who went immediately to the scene. Sheriff Fred Cooper, Corporal H. D. Ancell of the State Police, and Constable D. E. Crosten surrounded the home of James Carr where both of the brothers were found at 3 o'clock in the morning and placed under arrest.
 In the house was found also a new copper boiler, two coils, about fifty pounds of cracked corn and 100 pounds of sugar. They were lodged in the Parsons jail to await the outcome of the injuries inflicted on the Conrad boy, and later at a hearing before Justice Kalor, Walter was fined \$5 and costs and Emmett \$25 and costs.—Exc.
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JOSIAH H. SIPLE PASSES AWAY

Confederate Soldier, 93, Dies at
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Josiah H. Siple, prominent farmer and stockman and one of Pendleton County's oldest citizens, died at eight o'clock Monday night at the home of his son, T. P. Siple, at Oak Flat. He was the oldest surviving Confederate veteran in the county.

Mr. Siple was a remarkably active man for his age and enjoyed fair health until he suffered a breakdown six weeks ago. He gradually grew weaker until the end.

He served throughout the war Between the States, volunteering in Company E, 25th Virginia Regiment. He was wounded in the Battle of the Wilderness, taking part in the first action in that fight. He was captured and spent eighteen months in the federal prison at Elmira, N. Y.

Born in Highland County, he was a son of Joel and Catherine Hiner Siple. He moved from Doe Hill to Pendleton county a half century ago. His first wife, who was Miss Wagner, died while he was serving in the war. His second wife, who was Miss Rachel Beaver, of Mount Solon, Va., died eighteen years ago.

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Mr. Siple was a member of the Presbyterian Church. His funeral was preached at Fairview Methodist Church by his pastor, Rev. Leslie H. Patterson, at ten o'clock Wednesday morning.

Interment was made in the burial ground near Mr. Siple's former home at Fort Seybert where he lived for many years before moving to his late home at Oak Flat.

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Bodies of Other Victims Sought; Killer Wanted Woman's Wealth

Clarksburg, W. Va., Aug. 29.—The suave calmness of Harry F. Powers, Bluebeard Romeo, accused of slaying Mrs. Asta Buick Eicher, of Park Ridge, Ill., and her three children, broke completely last Saturday as he poured out an astounding confession.

That there may have been a fifth victim, perhaps several others, was indicated when bones resembling those of a human wrist and hand were dug from the earth near the charnel spot where Powers had buried the bodies of the mother and her children.

One minute, Powers was hysterically profuse in narrating the details of a crime which has few parallels in studied, calm and unfeeling brutality.

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